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C O N F I D E N T I A L NDJAMENA 0891

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS, PINS, CD
SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT #5

1. DESPITE CEASE FIRE WHICH SEEMS TO BE HOLDING, SOME
ELEMENTS REBEL TROOPS ARE ADVANCING HKIS BOTH WESTERN AND
EASTERN CHAD AND TAKING TERRITORY WITHOUT FIRING A SHOT.
GOVERNMENT FORCES HAVE WITHDRAWN FROM KORO TORO AND
OUM-CHALOUBA. FATE OF LARGE QUANTITIES OF EQUIPMENT WHICH
HAD BEEN STOCKPILED AT KORO TORO FOPARELVDF OF FAYA IS NOT
CLEAR. LOSS OF THESE TWO POINTS IS NOT SERIOUS, BUT DOES
LEAVE REBEL TROOPS EVEN CLOSER TO NDJAMENA AND ABECHÉ AREA
SHOULD NEGOTIATIONS BREAK DOWN.

2. IN MEANTIME, FRENCH REINFORCEMENTS ARE EXPECTED TO
START ARRIVING SOON. INTENTION IS EVIDENTLY TO MOVE THESE
TROOPS DIRECTLY INTO ABECHÉ, ATI AND MOUSSORO AREAS FROM
OUTSIDE CHAD, AVOIDING LARGE PUBLIC CONCENTRATION IN
NDJAMENA. WHILE NO PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY SORT HAS BEEN
MADE IN THIS CONNECTION, EXPATRIATE BUSINESS COMMUNITY SEEMS
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WELL AWARE THAT FRENCH ARE ON THEIR WAY.

3. DESPITE AGREEMENT TO RESTORE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS
BETWEEN CHAD AND LIBYA, LIBYAN EMBASSY HERE REMAINS
CLOSED. BRADFORD

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